

Statement by Jordan at Security Council Meeting on: The situation in the Middle East: Referral
of the situation in Syria to the International Criminal Court

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Today, Jordan voted in favour of draft resolution S/2014/348 based on our deep conviction regarding the principles of criminal justice and the need for criminal accountability, in an attempt to put an end to the policy of impunity pursued since the beginning of the Syrian crisis and based on our belief in the principles of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. We would like to express our deep regret that the Council was unable to adopt the draft resolution today.

At the same time, we would like to emphasize our support for the French initiative, which is designed to limit the use of the veto when the Security Council is voting on draft resolutions related to the perpetration of genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity, in order to avoid a repetition of what we have seen today.